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ON SATURDAY,

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1,700 Tons YOSHINO-IANI COALS.

TERMS:—As usual.

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Comprising:

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EOP, EXTENSION DINING TABLE,

DINER WAGGONS, DINING CHAIRS,

BACCARAT GLASS AND ORCERY-

WARE, Double IRON BEDSTEADS,

TEAK WARDROBE, MARBLE-TOP

WISTAND, DESSING TABLE,

BRONZE ORNAMENTS, VASES, PIC-

TURES, and CHINESE PORCELAIN, &c.

On view from FRIDAY, the 21st July, 1899.

Catalogues will be issued.

TERMS:—As Customary.

GEO. P. LAMMERT,

Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 18th July, 1899.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY,

LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW.

THE Company's Chartered Steamship

"NANTANG,"

Captain Lehmann, will be despatched for the

above Port, TO-MORROW, the 20th inst., at 10 A.M.

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DOUGLAS & BRAKKE & CO.,

General Managers.

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INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION

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"YUENSANG."

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JARDINE, MATTHESON & CO.,

General Managers,

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FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND

CALCUTTA.

THE Steamship

"HYSON,"

Captain E. Fay, will be despatched for the

above ports, TO-MORROW, the 20th inst., at 10 A.M.

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DAVID SAUSSON & SONS & CO.,

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OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR SAMARANG AND SOURABAYA.

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"BELLEROPHON,"

Captain Peden, will be despatched as above

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNERS.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamer

"BOMBAY,"

FROM ANTWERP, LONDON PORT,

S A D , S U E Z , A N D , S T R A I T S .

Cargoes of Cargo, by the above-named

Company, have been sent for the

Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown

Company's Godown at Kowloon, where each

consignment will be sorted out, marked by mark

and delivery can be obtained as soon as the

goods are landed.

This vessel brings on cargo:—

From Italy ex s.s. "Thames."

Optical Goods will be landed here unless

instructions are given to the contrary before

4 P.M. TOMORROW.

Goods not cleared by the 24th July, at

4 P.M., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in

any case whatsoever.

All damaged packages must be left in the

Godown, and a certificate of the damage

taken from the Godown Company within ten

days after the vessel's arrival here, after which no claims will be recognized.

H. A. MITCHELL,

Superintendent.

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| A.—Hennessy's Old Pale, Red Capsules | \$18.00 |
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| V.O.—D.—Hennessy's Finest Very Old Liquors Cognac, 1972 Vintage, Red Capsule | 36.00 |

All our Brandy is guaranteed to be
PURE COGNAC, the difference in price
being merely a question of age and
vintage.

Smaller quantities and sample bottles
will be supplied at proportionate
wholesale rates.

We guarantee our Wines and
Spirits to be genuine only when
bought direct from us in the Colony
or from our authorised Agents at the
Coast Ports.

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QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL

made regarding the frequent infractions of its provisions by the Chinese provincial authorities in respect of the taxation to be imposed on foreign goods; but there has been no attempt by any foreign Power to compel China to act in violation of the instrument. The policy of Great Britain, as it seems to us, should be to see that the treaty is maintained in full vigour, to secure for her own nationals such mining or railway concessions as may be applied for with the bona fide intention of working them, and not to get into a fever of excitement about concessions granted to other Powers which do not conflict with our own interests. Lord CHARLES BERESFORD says what he complained of was that Her Majesty's Government had been shouting and bellowing loudly for the "open door," but their action all the time had been making for the sphere of "influence policy." As regards railway concessions it appears certain that there must be spheres of influence; as regards trade in imports and exports the conditions are equal for all countries and are likely to continue so. The efforts of the Powers should be directed rather to making China open up her country unreservedly than to "shouting and bellowing"—to use Lord CHARLES BERESFORD's rather inelegant expression—at each other and trying to put spokes in each other's wheels.

At last we appear to be getting out of the wood. There were no fresh cases of plague yesterday and only one death from the disease. The Sanitary Board's call for volunteers to aid in the house-to-house visitation has not been largely responded to and some speculation has been indulged in as to the reason. Both our contemporaries have ascribed it to an alleged feeling amongst the 1894 volunteers that their services were insufficiently recognised. For our own part we do not think that that consideration had anything to do with it; on the contrary we believe that assistance would have been forthcoming as readily as in 1894 had it been felt that the same necessity existed, and that without any thought of reward whatever. The non-response to the call for volunteers on the present occasion was, we believe, due to two considerations, first, that the epidemic was on its last legs when the call was made and that the fight was virtually over, a consideration which yesterday's returns prove to have been well founded; and, in the second place, to the prevalent impression that the Government could obtain all the assistance it required by paying for it in the ordinary way and that the call for volunteers was therefore unnecessary, even though it had been made at the beginning instead of the end of the epidemic.

We (N.C. Daily News) understand that the absence of representatives of the Chinese Legation from the recent Hongkong Bank meeting at Peking was due solely to the fact that the Chinese Legation is passing the summer at Peking. We have received communications from those who have been engaged in the negotiations for the opening of new ports which have recently appeared in other papers and we insert:

"NOTICE TO CORRESPONDENTS
ONLY COMMUNICATIONS relating to the news referred to should be addressed to THE READER.
Correspondents from the various newspapers, and
from the Chinese Legation, will be received at
the office of the Editor, not
at the office of the General Manager, after
the 11th inst. on day of publication, after
which the address will be changed to
12, Queen's Road Central, Hongkong, B.C. Post
Office, 10. Telegrams to—12."

The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, July 19th, 1899.

The advocates of the so-called "open door" policy seem to experience some difficulty in defining what they mean thereby, also in recognising when a door is open and when it is shut. Their real idea, we take it, is that Great Britain should hold the key of the door, with a right to lock it when she sees fit. This seems to be indicated by the opposition offered to the proposed construction by Russia of a railway to Peking. When that Power raised objections to the mortgaging of the Shun-hai-kuan-Newchwang jiaos to a British syndicate there was a great outcry about the "open door," and Lord CHARLES BERESFORD went so far as to tell us, when Russia carried her point, that the door had been absolutely shut, a statement which he repeated in the House of Commons the other day. At the same time his Lordship objects to Russia making a railway to Peking. Referring to the Anglo-Russian agreement he said:—"By this 'agreement' Russia had the right to construct a railway to the south-west of Peking." If the railway was made he would like to ask what would become of the English capital which had been "invested and the other property belonging to the Peking Syndicate?" Moreover, what would become of the country which was "not designated as the Yangtze region, which had no boundary, and about which no agreement had been made with Russia?" He hoped that the Government would "put their foot down in connection with this question?" Could there be any clearer declaration that, according to the policy of Lord CHARLES BERESFORD, there is to be no "open door" for Russia, so far as the construction of railways is concerned? His Lordship cannot have his cake and eat it, a truism of which he seems to have recognised the validity when writing his recently published book, for in the chapter on railways he says:—"In order to secure the 'open door' policy it may be that we shall have to concede to other countries preferential rights, or spheres of interest, as far as railway enterprise is concerned." He goes on, however, to say:—"In my humble opinion, it would be better for British trade and commerce if we keep clear of 'spheres of influence' in every shape and form and adhere firmly to the 'open door and equal opportunity' policy." According to his speech in the House of Commons, however, his Lordship would not allow Russia to avail of the "open door and equal opportunity" policy, but would have the British Government slam the door in her face. Occasion may possibly arise sometime for slamming the door in Russia's face, but the inconsistency of advocating in one breath an open door policy and a closed door policy is apparent on the face of it.

The question of railway concessions is not covered by the treaty of Tientsin; and, setting that question aside, it is true, as stated by Mr. BRODRICK, that up to this moment the treaty of Tientsin has been observed and no door has been shut; our trade goes wherever it has gone before, and even to places where it formerly did not go. When it is cold the treaty of Tientsin has been observed except in one case where it was able to refresh correspondent's memory.

Yesterday's plague return shows no fresh cases and only one death from the disease.

At the Magistracy yesterday an Italian who had been employed in the Post Office for the past month was charged with stealing two gold chains, valued at \$275, entrusted to him. He was remanded.

The *Straits Times* of the 11th July says:—Recent news from Pamb in that, in crushing a sample parcel of a recently discovered loot at Raub, the yield—from the sample—was at the rate of a thousand catties to the ton.

Referring to the statement that the mandarin in command of the fort at Boosa Tigris who fired a blank charge at H.M.S. *Plover*, exonerated himself on the plea that he mistook the vessel for an Italian man-of-war, the *N. C. Daily News* publishes the following curious and unconvincing corroboration:—We now learn that, while it is true that a blank charge was fired at the *Plover*, enquiry has been made, and the court martial which tried the underling did not put forward the excuse attributed to him. Indeed, the relations between Italy and China are of the most friendly character and entirely exclude the possibility of such a justification having been advanced by the mandarin.

At the Magistracy yesterday the Captain of the steamer *Indrapura* uncharged his crew according to the custom of the Indian naval service and defendant arrived in the harbour at 11.45 a.m. on the 17th instant. Witness went alongside and asked the Captain when he was from. He replied, "Amoy." Witness then told him to put up the yellow flag and go into quarantine. Defendant put up the yellow flag, but, instead of proceeding to the quarantine ground, made fast to the buoy.—Defendant was ignorant of the regulations of the port, as he had come round to Amoy, he said, so that he could find work and go into the quaternary ground.—His Worship thought a nominal penalty would meet the case and only imposed a fine of \$1.

Mr. W. D. Thomas, who will be well remembered as formerly with the firm of Barber, Louis & Co., in Singapore, whose firm sent its present load of mineral products to Norway, was released from Amoy, P. C. Ashmore, his master and defendant arrived in the harbour at 11.45 a.m. on the 17th instant. Witness went alongside and asked the Captain when he was from. He replied, "Amoy." Witness then told him to put up the yellow flag and go into quarantine. Defendant put up the yellow flag, but, instead of proceeding to the quarantine ground, made fast to the buoy.—Defendant was ignorant of the regulations of the port, as he had come round to Amoy, he said, so that he could find work and go into the quaternary ground.—His Worship thought a nominal penalty would meet the case and only imposed a fine of \$1.

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Mr. Francis—My Lord, I

NOTICES OF FIRMS

NOTICE

We have authorized Mr. O. L. ELLIS to sign our Firm, per preparation, during the Tenancy of the Owners of Mr. A. J. DAVID from the Colony.

S. J. DAVID & CO.
Hongkong, 17th July, 1899.

NOTICE

I have established myself under the name and style of
"CHARLES NUNIKER,"
Commission Merchant,
Agent of THE MANILA CIGAR FACTORIES,
"LA CONSTANCIA" and
"AGUILA del Mundo."
Office—Queen's Road, No. 34,
above Powell & Co., 2nd Floor.
Hongkong, 18th July, 1899.

PUBLIC COMPANIES

HONGKONG ICE COMPANY,
LIMITED.

NOTICE

In accordance with the provisions of No. 104 of the Articles of Association of the General Meeting of Shareholders held on the 28th June, 1899, will be PAYABLE on the 28th instant, on which date Dividend Warrants may be obtained on application at the Company's Office.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED on the 27th and 28th inst.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
A. SHELTON HOOPER,
Secretary of HONGKONG LAND
INVESTMENT & AGENT CO., LTD.
General Agents, WEST POINT
BUILDING CO., LTD.
Hongkong, 17th July, 1899.

STOCKBROKERS' ASSOCIATION OF
HONGKONG.

An Extraordinary General
Meeting of Members of the
ASSOCIATION will be held at 3:15 P.M. on
FRIDAY, the 23rd instant, for the purpose of
confirming the Special Resolutions passed at
Extraordinary General Meeting of Mem-
bers held on 8th instant.

ERICH GEORG,
Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 16th July, 1899.

THE TEBAU PLANTING COMPANY,
LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the THIRD
GENERAL MEETING of SHARE-
HOLDERS in the above Company will be held
at the Company's Office, 26th May, Queen's
Road Central, on SATURDAY, the 29th
inst., at NOON, for the purpose of considering the
Report of the General Managers, together with
a Statement of Accounts for the period ending
30th April, 1899.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company
will be CLOSED from the 18th inst. to the
25th instant.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 16th July, 1899.

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HONGKONG, CANTON, AND MACAO
STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE SIXTY-SIXTH ANNUAL
MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held
at the Office of the Company, No. 18,
Queens Road Central, on SATURDAY, the 29th
inst., at 10 A.M., for the purpose of considering the
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T. ARNOLD,
Secretary.

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